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Here's follow-up on what we discussed previously.

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Key points

#1 – The SIP-approved AgBMP rules for Maricopa PM10 nonattainment area *effectively only regulate crops.*

•□□□□□□□ Rule 610 #28 “Regulated Agricultural activity” means commercial farming practice that may produce PM10 within the PM10 nonattainment area.

- Rule 610 #7 “Commercial farm” means 10 or more contiguous acres of land used for agricultural purposes within the boundary of the Maricopa PM10 nonattainment area
- Rule 611 (C) “A commercial farmer shall implement at least 1 best management practice from each of the following categories: 1. Tillage and harvest, subsection (E), 2. Noncropland, subsection (F); and 3. Cropland, subsection (G)...”
- Rule 610 #33 “Tillage and harvest” means any mechanical practice that physically disturbs cropland or crops on a commercial farm.
- Rule 610 #12 “Cropland” means land on a commercial farm that: a. Is within the timeframe of final harvest to plant emergence; b. Has been tilled in a prior year and is suitable for crop production, but is currently fallow; or c. Is a turn row.
- Rule 610 #22 “Noncropland” means any commercial farm land that: a. Is no longer used for agricultural productions; b. Is no longer suitable for production of crops; c. Is subject to a restrictive easement or contract that prohibits use for the production of crops; or d. Includes a private farm road, ditch, ditch bank, equipment yard, or well head.

#2 - There is a state regulation that applies to animal operations in Maricopa, but it’s not in the SIP (nor has it been submitted to EPA) and is therefore, not federally-enforceable.

#3 – If the issue is PM10 (dust), we could look at their fugitive dust rules. But if it’s odor, I don’t see a hook with AgBMPs that are in the SIP.

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Hickman facilities are in Maricopa County. Here are the specific locations:

The Arlington facility (main facility) is located at 32425 W. Salome Highway, Arlington, AZ 85322.

The Tonopah location is 41625 W. Indian School Road, Tonopah, AZ 85354.

Thanks,

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Why don't you set up a time. My calendar should be up to date.

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Hi Nancy and Eugene,

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Thanks,

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